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PROGRAM AND PARK DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS FOR STITES TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT

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March 31, 1969

Dr. Allen Sapora
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Dear Dr. Sapora:

Herewith is a copy of Quarterly Report Number 1
for the Stites Township Park District Project.

The project director is Charles Pozoldt, Community
Recreation Specialist. He is being assisted by Thomas Brown,
a student majoring in recreation and park administration.

Active progress is being made in meeting the purposes
outlined in the background section of this report.

Items listed under immediate purposes, numbered 2, 6,
7, and 8 have been completed.

The second Quarterly Report concerning this project
will be submitted to you on July 1, 1969.

Sincerely,


Joseph J. Bannon
Chief

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PROGRESS REPORT

The following immediate purposes have been completed in this project:

Recommendations for procedures
to hire a director of parks
and recreation.

Discussing needs for facilities
and stimulating Board action
by giving the Board alternate
site patterns and facility
templates for study.

Recommending procedure for
the hiring of a professional
park planner and an architect.

Discussing preliminary ideas
for the location and construction
of a swimming pool.

PROCEDURAL STEPS

SALES TO THE PUBLIC DISTRICT
COUNCIL IN THE TRAFFIC AND PARK PROJECT

(A detailed report which expands the report outlined below and recommended procedure to be used by the district specialists in future projects of this type, is complete and on file at the Office of Recreation and Park Resources.)

<u>Step Number</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>1969</u>
(Continued from Step 67 as reported in the project report dated in February)		
68	January 29, 1969	Contacted attorney concerning condemnation procedure and relate to a hearing with the Illinois Commerce Commission
69	January 29, 1969	Informed County Advisory Board concerning proposed plans for Township Park District
70	January 29, 1969	County Advisory Board referred to Wayne Siefort, who is developing horticulture program at Lake and Granite City. Ideas for program and planning in District were discussed and a visitation to Siefort by Mr. Siefort will be made
71		Went Park Board Meeting
72		Discussion and preliminary preparation of Working Budget for 1969-70.
73		Specialist reaffirms the need to hire a Director at the March meeting.
74		Discussion was generated concerning the need to cooperate with the Neighborhood Opportunity Council (C.O.C.)
75		Discussion was generated toward a decision concerning the location of the proposed park district swimming pool

- 76 Board decision was made in regard to the size of the proposed park
- 77 The procedure to be used for park procurement was discussed.
- 78 Motion was made and passed by the board to inform the Village of Brooklyn and National City concerning all proposed plans of the park district.
- 79 Discussion concerning Federal Aid program
- 80 Discussion concerning the need to hire professional planners.
- 81 Specialist read letter from Dr. Sapora inviting President Barker to participate as a member of the planning committee at the University of Illinois Seminar.
- 82 Discussion concerning the hiring of University of Illinois Recreation Field Student.
- 83 Contacted the Union Electric Company.
- 84 Meeting with Brooklyn NOC Chairman and Recreation aide.
- 85 Contacted Miss Williams at the school to obtain history of Brooklyn.
- 86 The Specialist was introduced to the Lovejoy School principal.
- 87 Lunch with school Physical Education teacher.
- 88 Visited existing school locker and shower facilities.
- 89 Met with Real Estate department of the Terminal Railroad association in St. Louis.
- 90 March 3, 1969 Park Board Meeting
- 91 The board reviewed applications for the Directors' positions, interviewed applicants and hired a director.
- 92 The board reviewed potential park planner applicants and interviewed them.

Step Number

Date

Item

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Preparation of Plan by Recreation
Specialist for Land and Water
Conservation Fund Request.

GUIDE
FOR DEVELOPING
AN
INTERIM OUTDOOR RECREATION PLANNING PROGRAM
FOR
SINTES TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT
BROOKLYN, ILLINOIS

Starks Township Park District is a special district that was organized on July 3, 1967. It is located along the east side of the Mississippi River about two miles north of East St. Louis and about two miles south of Vandalia.

responsibility for purchase of the 100 acre parcel for \$50,000.00. The purchase was made with the State Land Office and the land was conveyed to the park district. The park district was established on May 8, 1961, and since that time the park district has been planning and developing the park district in accordance with the State Land Office and the State Land Office. The park district is currently in the process of developing the park district in accordance with the State Land Office and the State Land Office. The park district is currently in the process of developing the park district in accordance with the State Land Office and the State Land Office.

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The park district boundaries are indicated on the attached map (A).

THE STUTES TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT BOARD'S POLICY STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC IN 1962

The Stutes Township Park Board works in a cooperative manner with all agencies and organizations in the area.

A park district cooperative recreation program is being planned at the Stutes Township (Lower School). A coordinated recreation program is being established by the Stutes Township Park Board and the Stutes Township Neighborhood Opportunity Commission.

OUTDOOR RECREATION STANDARDS

National Outdoor Recreation Standards are currently under discussion by the National Recreation and Park Association.

Stutes Township park district is traversed by numerous railroad tracks, highways, and the steel yards.

the park. The land is bounded on the north by the highway, on the east by the residential street, the land is bounded on the south by the highway, and on the high tension power line. It is bounded on the west by a road, property and the green border of the park. Railroad tracks and a city street border the other sides of the proposed park.

The park will contain baseball diamonds, softball diamonds, tennis courts, basketball courts, playground apparatus, a recreation shelter and restrooms, a picnic area for passive recreation, and other outdoor recreation areas.

By taking the above-mentioned action, the land needs for public recreation will be met and potential recreation resources will be conserved. There will not be any duplication of facilities.

The purchase of the park will enhance the beauty of Stites Township Park District.

The need for the development of a community park is apparent. Because it is possible to locate this park adjacent to the existing Lovejoy School, a park district school district program may be established. Presently, the school district does not have any playground other than an asphalt multi-use area.

OUTDOOR RECREATION OBJECTIVES

In light of the above discussion, the following objectives are outlined for the park district's efforts in providing for its outdoor recreation needs:

1. To develop a community park of approximately 20 acres to serve the needs of the residents to 1980. The park should contain the following facilities:

Baseball diamonds, softball diamonds, tennis courts, basketball courts, playground apparatus, recreation shelter with restrooms, picnic area.

2. To construct a swimming pool on property (asphalt area) to be transferred to the park district by the school district.

The park board has authorized a loan of \$130,000 by ordinance and approved by referendum in the past without indebtedness.

3. The park district will contract with a qualified firm to prepare plans for developing the site and the swimming pool. A committee composed of representatives of the park board, school board, city, and other interested groups will be formed to work with the consultant selected to prepare a plan for the site.
4. The Park District will provide leadership in developing an outdoor recreation program to meet the community's needs. The committee referred to above will be asked to work with the consultant in developing such a program and investigating ways to finance it.

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